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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 30, 2009 ACTION

This paper is responsive to the *Examiner's Office Action* (30 November 2009), having a shortened statutory period expiring February 28, 2009. Included herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

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